

SENATE BILL 197  
By Ramsey

AN ACT to amend Chapter 24 of the Private Acts of 1997; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the board of mayor and aldermen in the Town of Bluff City.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Article III of Chapter 24 of the Private Acts of 1997, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 1 of such article in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

Section 1. Election number and terms of Mayor and Aldermen. The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town shall consist of a Mayor and five (5) Aldermen. Elections to fill the office of Mayor and Aldermen shall be held on the third Tuesday in May of each and every odd numbered year. The Mayor and five (5) Aldermen elected to two-year terms on the third Tuesday in May 2003, shall hold their offices until the expiration of their terms on the 1st of July 2005, or until their successors are elected and qualified. In the town election held on the third Tuesday in May 2005: The Mayor shall be elected for a term of four (4) years; the two (2) candidates for Aldermen who receive the highest number of votes shall be elected for terms of four (4) years; and the three (3) candidates for Aldermen who receive the third, fourth and fifth highest number of votes

shall be elected for terms of two (2) years and in each and every regular town election held thereafter the Mayor and Aldermen shall be elected for terms of four (4) years. The Mayor and Aldermen elected hereunder shall hold their offices until the successors are elected and qualified.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of the Town of Bluff City. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.